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Change of Time.

The date to which it is necessary for our subscribers to pay in order to ges Good Cheer one year free is set forward one month at beginning of each month. After this week the date will be DECEMBER 1, 1884. So that all subscribers, old or new, who will pay for THE WATCHMAN to December 1. 1884, will receive Good Cheer one year PREE. Send seventeen cents for the odd months. Those who do not wish to take up with this offer are requested to settle their dues as soon as possible, as we are in immediate need of the

Local Items.

Daugs at Bascom's! PATENT medicines at Bascom's!! THE finest cigars at Bascom's!!! BLEGANT handkerchief extracts at

Big trade in "Diamond Dyes" at Bas som's!!!!!

LIBRARY lamps cheap, at Webster's. CROCKERY and glassware at Webster's. CIRCULATING library at H. E. Slayton's. HOLIDAY goods are coming at Webster's.

A LARGE line of ladies' hand-bags at Web Nonron will have shell oysters next Friday

evening THOSE trimming satins, at fifty cents, at

Webster's. Worsten jackets, leggings, nubias and

hoods, at Webster's, Don't fall to examine those plushes and vel-

vets for \$1.25 at Webster's. DR. BALL's health corset, Madam Foy's skirt-

supporting corset, at Webster's. A NICE line of clocks with cathedral gongs

just received at Scott's, Waterbury. THE best 1847 Rogers Brothers' knives and

forks, warranted triple plate, at Scott's, Waterbury. THE largest stock of gold pens ever shown in

Vermont can now be seen at Phinney's book-RIBBONS, Florence knitting silk, mittens

hosiery, gloves, wallets, bordered linen handkerchiefs, at Webster's. REMEMBER Joseph Proctor in "Virginius"

at Capital hall, Friday evening, December 7th Tickets only fifty and thirty-five cents.

CHRISTMAS cards are selling rapidly at Phin ney's. He has a large and tasteful assortment. Call before the most desirable have been culled.

Ir you want something nice for holiday or anniversary gifts, go to Scott's, Waterbury, and see his large line of silver-ware, just ar-

SECURE your seats at once for the two grand performances at Capital hall, December 7 and 8. Friday, "Virginius;" Saturday, "Nick of the Woods."

THOSE inclined to oversleep, these dark mornings, should get one of those nickel alarm clocks. Warranted good time-keepers. Sold at Scott's, Waterbury.

WANTED-Situation as miller in a good grist ence. Call on or address S. L. D. Goodale, West Topsham, Vermont.

BUFFALO and coon coats in great variety: 'buffalo coats made to order;" linings and trimmings for robes, horse blankets, lap blankets, etc., etc., at Farwell's.

THE water question is not decided yet, and while the village is waiting and anybody wants goods, just go and see what bargains are offered, to reduce stock, at Webster's.

FOR SALE .- One thousand Macomber's improved hand corn and bean planters. Agents wanted for all unoccupied territory. For particulars apply to O. G. Phelps, agent for the state of Vermont, Milton, Vt.

CHILDREN's overcoats, \$1 75, \$2, \$3, and upwards; boys' overcoats, \$3, \$4, \$5 and upwards; men's overcoats, \$3, \$4, \$4 50, \$5 and upwards; men's ulsters, \$5 and upwards. At Farwell's, head of State street.

MR. AND MRS. AARON BANCROFT will give a sociable for the benefit of the ladies' society of the Unitarian church, at the Pavilion, Wednesday evening, December 12, from seven until twelve o'clock. Admission fifteen cents.

Ar Capital hall, next Saturday evening, Mr. Joseph Proctor will appear in his great creation of "Jibbenainosay, or Nick of the Woods," supported by his daughter, Miss Anna Proc tor, as "Lillie Doe." Tickets fifty and thirtyfive cents. Now on sale at Phinney's.

H. E. SLAYTON has, without doubt, the largest stock of albums ever in town, and the prices are below competition. A beautiful leather bound one for card, cabinets and panels, for only \$2 25. Also a full stock of children's books, fancy box papers, games, and pocket cutlery, Christmas cards, etc., at lowest prices.

Call and see. A. T. STRAW & Co. have now in stock black walnut, ash, chestnut and painted chamber sets; parlor, dining and common tables; wil low, basket and all kinds of chairs; lounges, mattrasses, spring beds, mirrors and all goods in this line, for Christmas presents. Call and see us, and buy something for yourself, wife, son, daughter, or some friend. A. T. Straw & Co., Main street, Waterbury, Vt.

SANTA CLAUS annonness his headquarters in Barre for this season at the store of Charles A. Smith, where may be found the largest and finest stock of gift books, poems, juvenile books, albums, writing-desks, toilet sets, hand mirrors, fine box papers, backgammon boards, games, etc., ever offered in town. Also a new line of heliotypes and photographs of famous paintings, statuary and works of art. Don't fall of seeing them.

J. G. MORRISON & Co. offer ten dozen misse wool hose (sizes 6 to 8½), at twenty-five cents, ten dezen ladies' fancy wool hose at twenty-five cents, ten dezen ladies' cashmere hose at thirty-two and one-half cents, five dezen ladies' and misses' fancy wool mittens at twenty-five cents, and one lot (twenty-five pieces) all-wool dress goods at fifty cents. This lot contains Foule's flannels and cashmeres. They are thirty-eight to forty-four inches wide, and good

CAMILLA URSO, the world-famous violinist, will appear at Barre on the evening of Decem-ber 8th. Camilla powerfully illustrates the old story of the enthralling witchery of the violin in the hands of a master. She is sup-ported by Herr Isidore Luckstone, pianist, by Miss Ada Gleason and Mr. Holst Hansen, vo-calists, and by Professor Wm. Mason Evans, elocutionist. The programme is an attractive one, and an evening of rare enjoyment may be expected.

Current Mention.

THE December term of Addison county court will convene on Tuesday, the 11th. Good hard wood, four feet in length, is wanted at this office in payment for subscrip-

A LIMITED quantity of fruit and vegetables of good quality will be taken on subscriptions

REV. L. WARREN will preach in school-hous hall, at Maple Corner (Calais), next Sunday, at

one o'clock, P. M. THE Vermont & Canada railroad company

Bellows Falls, the 18th. No freight trains were run over the Central Vermont railroad Thanksgiving day, and all

hold their adjourned meeting at Town's hotel,

freight offices were closed THERE was a hearing at West Fairlee Tues-

day, in the bankruptcy case of Goddard and Cazin, and Cazin took an appeal. Windson county court opened yesterday,

three cases are set for jury trial. JOHN DURKEE'S saw-mill up Ridley brook, in North Duxbury, was burned Tuesday morning

about four o'clock. Insured for \$1,200.

SENATOR EDMUNDS is preparing a postal telegraph bill for the United States, and it is not improbable that the president may commend the project in his message,

WORK commenced in the furnaces and kilns at the Ely mines, last Monday, under the superintendence of D. F. Long. The smoke had the smell of better days in it.

MIRROR AND FARMER: "A Vermont editor, in publishing one of Byron's poems, changed the words 'Oh gods!' to 'Oh gosh!' because the former was too profane for his readers."

THE new postal note, which is to be issued soon, is to be narrower than the present one, the color to be changed to bine, the paper heavier and of firmer texture, and the design to be changed.

WASHINGTON county Good Templars' union will be held at Northfield, Thursday, December 13th, in the Universalist church. Rev. W. J. Johnson of Waterbury will deliver an address in the evening.

THE following is the quarterly report of the town liquor agents of this county for the quarter ending October 31: Barre, \$538.37; Waterbury, \$441.70; Montpelier, \$408,65; Northfield, \$288.59; Plainfield, \$147.95.

WE are indebted to the Argus and Patriot tore for a very handsome combination diary and pocket-book. A large stock of such articles are kept at this store, and purchasers will find a wide range both of quality and price. Remember this when you want to buy a good Christmas present.

THE case of Ira Melendy of Fairlee against the town of Bradford, for damages sustained on account of a defective highway, which has been in litigation for ten years, has been decided in favor of the plaintiff, giving him \$12,-000. The costs to the town in this long drawnout suit will be double that amount

SEVERAL tons of poultry shipped to Boston at week were declared unfit for sale by the inspector of provisions. The loss was occa sioned largely by the warm weather, and is the largest in several years. About eight tons went to soap-boilers and several more to the canners. Vermont shippers lose several thou-

"ONE of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain railroad conductors," says the Sentry, tells the following good story on himself: A passenger recently tendered him a trade dollar for fare. The conductor examined it and remarked: 'I don't want that piece of money.' Well, give it to the company, then,' replied the passenger."

It was rumored that a slight run was being made upon the Rutland savings bank last week Monday. On investigation it was shown that two persons drew out their deposits and closed their accounts, one of which was \$7.13 and the other a trifle over \$10. It was not thought pest to call for another examination of the affairs of the bank.

It is announced from Montreal that the trus tees of the South-eastern railway have instituted an action against ex-Governor Hendee, receiver of the broken St. Albans bank, to recover \$800 . 000, representing that amount of bonds of the Montreal, Portland & Boston railway, placed with the bank for safe keeping, which the receiver now refuses to deliver.

THOMAS SALMON, who committed the triple murder at Laconia, N. H., recently, has made a full confession. He killed Mrs. Ford after a dronken spree. He threw her to the floor in a fit of madness, not intending to kill her, and put his foot on her chest. He put her in the trunk to conceal the crime, and took the trunk to Ruddy's. He intended to kill the Ruddy family and burn the house to conceal his crimes. Mrs. Ruddy's escape thwarted his

MR. JAMES B. SCOVILL died in Berlin, Norember 30, aged seventy-four years. Mr. Scovill was born in Farmington, Conn., but removed to Berlin when six years of age with his father's family, in which town he has ever since resided. More than fifty years ago he united with Bethany church, and the faith he then professed has been the guiding principle of his life. Mr. Scovill was highly respected as a citizen, tenderly beloved as a busband and father, and his death, though illumined by a triumphant Christian hope and faith, brings widespread sorrow.

T. J. DEAVITT of this village has recently procured pensions as follows: Charles A. Sanlers, Montpelier, an increase of \$6 per month; Addie A. Kimball, Barnet, a widow's pension Benjamin Smith, Marshfield, a dependent father, \$8 a month with \$1,900 arrears; Orson Turner, Waterbury, \$4 a month and \$536 arrears; Edwin Bowman, Lower Waterford, \$2 a month and \$385 arrears; Isaac C. Vaughn, Hyde Park, \$2 a month and \$400 arrears; L. D. Hadlock, Berlin, S8 a month and S1 350 arrears Winslow C. Rollins, Woodbury, \$2 a month and 8440 arrears: Samuel E McLean, Cabot, 84 a month and \$870 arrears; Lewis Laplen, Plainfield. \$4 a month and \$910 arrears: Henry D. Maynard, Middlebury, \$6 a month and \$1,300 ALTEATS.

THE comet of 1812 is now visible to the naked eye. An ordinary telescope, a spy-glass or an opera glass will show its presence distinctly. The comet is not hard to find. A brilliant star shines in the north-west as soon as darkness veils the earth. This is Vega, and may be certainly known by two small stars forming with it an equilateral triangle. About thirteen degrees north of Vega is a red star of the third nagnitude, known as Gamma Draconis.

tween these two stars lies the present path of their payment would nearly exhaust these asthe comet. The comet reaches its perihelion January 25th, and it will be then about 70,000, 000 miles distant from the great central orb. It will be increasing in brightness until that time, and will therefore be in its best estate during the holidays.

D. R. Locks, the editor of the Toledo (Ohio) Blade, will make a thorough tour of Maine and Vermont, for the purpose of investigating the results of the prohibition law in those states. The investigation will include the condition of the liquor trade prior to prohibition and since; the effect of prohibition upon the youth; the amount of liquor consumed; how and where drinking is done, and whether the legal impediments have lessened the consumption; and the effect of prohibition on the morals of the states. The object is to determine the question: "Does prohibition prohibit?" The results of the investigation will make, probably, four articles, which will be commenced in the Blade this week or next. Those desiring the four papers containing these articles may receive them by remitting with the prospect of a long term, as twentyten cents.

THE Vermont State Grange will convene i annual session at Bellows Falls, Wednesday, December 12, at ten o'clock A. M. The meeting Wednesday afternoon and evening will be pub lic, with the Vermont State Board of Agriculture present, taking a leading part in the exercises. The masters of Massachusetts and New Hampshire state granges are expected to be in attendance and address the meeting. Free return checks on the Vermont Valley and Sullivan County railroads, extending from Brattlehoro to Windsor, will be furnished by conductors, while en route to Bellows Falls, to those naving full fare one way to attend this meet ing, and in no other way can they be supplied. Free return checks will be furnished by the secretary at Bellows Falls to those paying full fare one way on the following roads: Central Vermont and its branches, Passumpsic, Burlington & Lamoille, and Woodstock. Representatives should be present Wednesday morning at the opening of the session.

MESSENGER: "In a town not a thousand miles from St. Albans a religious society was without a minister, and was considering the calling of a clergyman who had officiated during one Sunday. The candidate had preached a good sermon, and was dining at a hotel on that self-same Sunday. Among those at the table with him were several who knew him as tity, and she immediately launched forth a liked the new preacher-if they thought the church would call him, if the society had any use for him, etc., etc. The clergyman sat opposite the questioner, and doubtless enjoyed (?) himself hugely. During the process of interrogation, some of the others made frequent and frantic attempts to catch the lady's eye, or in some way give her a hint of the situation, but all in vain. Her 'state of mind' when the diners adjourned, and she became aware how natters stood, can be imagined."

THE success which attended the carniva week in Montreal last January, and the enjoyment afforded by the Canadian winter sports to thousands of visitors from all parts of the continent, have induced the organization of very influential local committees to repeat this year the winter carnival. The date has been fixed for the week commencing February 4th. Already the several railway companies hav intimated their willingness to run special excursions to Montreal at very greatly reduced rates. New tobogganing hills are to be pre pared; a much more beautiful and elaborate ice palace than that which was so much ad mired last year will be erected; the snow-shoe clubs are arranging to hold grand union torch light processions, moonlight tramps, races and games; there will be special competitions by the curling clubs, aboriginal games by the Indians, skating masquerades, tandem drives orse-racing on the river, carnival ball, and various other attractions. Many who were present last year recall the occasion with much pleasure and will be glad to go again, while thousands will enjoy the novelty for the first time next February.

THE entire lack of judgment which some people exhibit in the use of the telephone is deerving of the strongest censure. Some strike the button to signal the central office with quite as much force as they would use to drive a spike, and often strike repeatedly to signal once. It should be known that if connection is broken, as it should be, by the first pressure on the knob, repetitions of the same have no effect whatever at the "central." A good firm pressure until the button "gives" has the same effect as a blow, so far as the signal is concerned, and is far less likely to injure the instrument. Again, some, in sending messages stand with their lips close to the transmitter and almost shout, while others stand at an unreasonable distance from the transmitter and diminish the tone of voice proportionately, apparently expecting the instrument to make up for their negligence. It is difficult to conceive of an instrument more delicate in its nature than is the telephone in all its parts, and the treatment which it receives at the hands of many seems almost abusive. The directions for its use in our exchange are so plain that no mistake is possible so long as they are carefully

sets, but it is believed that the amount of the claims proven by married women will be largely reduced when finally passed upon, on the score that the funds involved were not originally acquired in their own right. If the court decides that proper preferred claims must first be paid in full, a final scrutiny of their character may reduce the aggregate amount to less than \$100,000. The Norwood lumber property, having been bought for \$166,000 on behalf of the trust company, is being managed for the payment first of a \$35 000 preferred claim of New York banks. Other expenses amounting to \$20,000 must next be paid. Receiver Rich lopes to realize, either by the sale of the property or otherwise, at least \$160,000 for the depositors. In case this is done the total assets of the trust company would be some \$352,000, or nearly sixty-two per cent of the deposits. If the preferred claims are paid in full, unpreferred creditors might realize forty per cent."

WHEN Harvey Smith, clerk to J. E. Sheple

successor to C. O. Graves), Waterbury, came to the store Sunday morning to look after the fires he found the doors unfastened and startling signs that some one had been there during the night. An examination disclosed the fact that the safe had been drilled, the handle by which the bolts were moved wrenched off, and an unsuccessful attempt made to blow the door open. Pieces of fuse were on the floor, and a small quantity of powder was found. The change frawer in the counter had been burst open, but it vielded only ninety cents. Mr. Smith summoned the proprietor, and Sheriff Atherton was notified. Mr. Al. Atherton, who occupies the connecting crockery store, found that his eash drawer also had been ransacked and a few pennies taken. A further examination inside disclosed a copy of the Norwich (N. Y.) Post of September 14th, in which apparently a jimmy had been wrapped, and near the cash drawer a small cold chisel, which fitted into certain dents made in forcing the store doors. was found. Outside, the footprints of the burglars were discernible in the light fall of snow. On the opposite side of the street, near Mr. Griggs' store, the steps of the lookout were seen, and the footsteps of two men were easily traced to the railway track and up the track to some freight cars on a siding, under cover of which they had evidently waited till the morning express north came along. They had, appparently, kept in biding till the train was leaving the station and boarded it after it was under way. Footprints corresponding to the preacher of the day. But one lady had not those leading to the station were also disattended church and was ignorant of his iden covered leading in the opposite direction, indicating that the men had come in on the ten volley of interrogatories as to how the rest o'clock train from the north, Saturday evening, and had left the cars at the wood-shed and proceeded down the track toward the business part of the town. The fact that these foot steps were partially filled with snow, which had fallen during the night, confirms this theory. Dr. Washburn, whose house is in sight of the railway track and who was up early Sunday morning, saw two men going up the track toward the station before the morning express was due. Conductor Remington discovared no persons of the character described on his train, but the men very likely preferred an cutside seat on the rear of the hiadmost sleeper of the train. Others plaim to have seen on the Chicago express, Saturday evening. two suspicious persons who alighted at Waterbury. The safe at Mr. Sheple's store has not vet been opened. It is not at all probable that the burglars effected an entrance. Mr. C. O. ited \$400 in bank Saturday, but Mr. F. C. Graves had left a small amount, less than \$100, in the safe. Some alleged safe agents were in town several days before the attempted burglary. They called at the stores about town. evidently for the purpose of spotting promising

localities. Charley Keene, the livery man, took one of them over to Sheriff Atherton, whom the "agent" wished to "drum," and also to Postmaster Smith at the Center. The clues are so slight that it is hardly possible that detection will follow. As a precautionary measure against the return of the rogues to com plete their work, Charley Keene's watch-dog was placed in charge of the premises Sunday night. Monday morning the faithful brute was not disposed to resign his trust on the ap-

MRS. EDWIN HARD, mother of Hon. E. R.

B. D. HARRIS of Brattleboro has got a \$60,

REV. L. L. GREEN of Washington has re-

REV. A. J. BARROW of Upper Falls, Mary-

REV. LEAVITT BARTLETT, a native of Coven-

C. K. DARLING, son of J. K. Darling, Esq.

SAMUEL W. ROBERTSON, a graduate of Dart-

mouth and principal of the Danville graded

school last term, has accepted a position as

Ex-GOVERNOR REDFIELD PROCTOR and Gen-

eral W. Y. W. Ripley returned to Rutland on

Tuesday evening from a tour through the

MR. FRANK L. BIGELOW of Proctorsville, Vt.,

graduate of Dartmouth college, has been en-

gaged to succeed Mr. Philip G. Wright as

teacher of mathematics at Goddard seminary,

Barre. The prospects for the winter term,

CONGRESSMAN JOHN W. STEWART Started for

Washington Friday, to assume his duties as

the representative of the first district. Mr.

Stewart's family will not go to Washington

to live this season, as the delicate state of Mrs.

C. D. EDGERTON of Northfield, who has been

connected with The WATCHMAN staff, has re-sumed his legal studies in the office of Frank Plumiey, Eq., at Northfield. Mr. Edgerton has done very faithful work, and it is solely his desire to continue his studies which has brought about the change.

land, has accepted a call to the rectorship of

salist society of Bath, Maine.

church at New London, Conn.

was unconscious for some time.

St Peter's church, Bennington,

Arizona.

ment to West Point.

teacher at Island Pond.

southern and western states.

which begins to-day, are excellent,

Stewart's health forbids it.

pearance of Mr. Sheple's clerk at the store Mr. Keene was called, who assured him that it was all right and relieved him from his vigila. Hard of Burlington, died last week, aged eighty-000 verdict in his favor in a railroad suit at Pittsburgh, Pa.

A SPECIAL dispatch to the Boston Journal says : "The time fixed for the presentation of claims against the defunct St. Albans Trust Company expired to-day [Friday]. Out of 2,460 depositors, all but 136 have proved their laims. Those not presented represent in the aggregate only \$7,770. The total liabilities of the trust company to depositors, including interest to August 1, is about \$582,000. The number and the amount of preferred claims proven is as follows: By married women, 370, representing \$115,420; by minors, 734, representing \$48 174; by insane persons, three, representing \$266. Total number of preferred claims, 1,107; total amount represented, \$166,-260. This leaves \$415.740 due unpreferred depositors. These figures may be slightly changed by the final correction of the accounts. The question as to the validity of the preferred claims and the matter of their payment from ssets in the hands of Receiver Rich comes up for determination before Chancellor Royce Deember 4. A proforma ruling will probably be made by the chancellor for the purpose of having the questions at issue passed upon for hearing before the supreme court for Franklin county, which meets in January. Receiver Rich has assets saide from the Norwood lumber property that are available, or which can be realized upon shortly, amounting to some \$192,000. Should the deposits for which preferences are claimed be finally allowed

Montpeller Village Meeting.

Mr. Hiram Atkins of the Argus and Patriot, assisted by a few faithful lieutenants, held the annual village meeting, Monday evening, before an audience of between two and three hundred voters. After the reading of the warning by the clerk, James T. Sabin, George W. Wing, E-q., was chosen moderator, James T. Sabin clerk, and five wardens were elected, as follows: P. P. Pitkin, George A. Peck, L. Bart Cross, Joel Foster and John L. Tuttle. Hiram Atkins then moved to accept the report of the balliffs, and interrogated these officers of the corporation in respect to the expenditure of money. He was ably assisted in the discharge of this important duty by W. G. Ferrin, E-q., and these two gentiems interrogated baliffs. D. C. Clark and H. C. Lull, and interrogated each other, until the moderator was obliged to inquire, in substance, whether it was a private confab or a public meeting. Mr. Clark thought Mr. Lull knew all about the matters, and Mr. Lull knew all about the matters, and between the three the voters found out next to nothing. However, after considerable good advice from Hiram Atkins on the out next to nothing. However, after considerable good advice from Hiram Atkins on the proper way to spend the public money, and sandry admonitions from other gentlemen who siways appear on such occasions, the report was adopted. On motion of T. R. Gordon, the election of bailiffs was postponed, and on mo-tion of Hiram Atkins the election of collector, election of bailiffs was postponed, and on motion of Hiram Atkins the election of collector, treasurer, and the consideration of claims against the village, were also postponed until the water question should be disposed of. After some preliminary skirmishing of a parliamentary nature, W. G. Ferrin took the floor and made a long speech, presumably in favor of Mr. Brock's proposition to bring the Berlin water to this village, arguing against the advisability of bonding the town for any large amount in addition to the already heavy debt. The audience evidently agreed with Mr. Ferrin, for, after listening some time, they applanded so vigorously that he was unable to proceed, and sat down. He was followed by Hiram Atkins, Joel Foster, Hiram Atkins, Gen. P. P. Pikin, Hiram Atkins, W. G. Ferrin, Hiram Atkins, H. A. Huse, Hiram Atkins, Fred Blanchard, Charles T. Sabin, C.H. Heath, Hiram Atkins, George W. Wing, S. M. Walton, and others. It was finally voted, by a majority of about two hundred, to appoint a committee of five, with instructions to secure the services of an expert engineer, and have reliable estimates made and report at an adjourned meeting to be held Monday evening, December 17. This committee is C. H. Heeth, Joel Fester, Fred E. Smith, A. O. Cummins and A. J. Sibley. The necessity for such action is seen from the fact that the estimates given at this meeting varied from \$45,000 to \$90,000. The other articles in the warrant were then postponed for two weeks and, on motion of Hiram Atkins, the meeting adjurned, after having been in session thee hours. It is evident that the citizens of the adjurned, after having been in session three hours. It is evident that the citizens of the village are awake to the necessities of the case, and we are confident that at the next meeting the matter will be decided according to the dic-tates of good judgment, while the precise form will depend upon the estimates then presented by the committee. The episode of the evening was a verbal passage-at-arms between C H. Heath and Hiram Atkins, in which the latter displayed his temper to great advantage, while the former kept good-natured and so had the crowd on his side. We were forcibly reminded of those good old lines,

Let dogs delight to bark and bite. It is their nature to,"

There is to be a sociable, for the benefit of the ladies' society of the Unitarian church, given by Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Bancroft, at the Pavilion, one week from to-night.

CONDUCTOR BAILEY of the Barre branch cut his hand quite badly last week, and his health being quite poor he is "laying off" for a few lays. Mr. Charles Giffin of Windsor fills his

THE many friends of Rush P. Barrett in Montpeller are grieved to learn of his recent bereavement in the loss of his wife, and extend him their heartfelt sympathy. Mrs. Barrett died in Rutland on the 27th ult.

THE regular monthly temperance meeting was held at Trinity church Sunday evening. The report of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was presented and read by Mrs. D L. Feller, and able remarks were made by Rev J. D. Beeman.

CHAPLAIN McCABE lectures next Wednesday, Desember 12 h, at eight o'clock in the evening, at Trinity church, on "The Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison." It will be a rare opportunity to hear one of the most brilliant lecturers on the American platform.

THERE was a large and jolly party of skaters on the "cove" Thank-giving forenoon, and the skating at that time was excellent. One adventuresome couple went beyond the limit of safety, and as a result, were pretty thoroughly moistened. That the result was no more serious may be considered very fortunate. EUGENE JOSLIN, bridge builder for the Mont pelier & Wells River railroad, has severed his connection with that corporation, having pur-chased a farm in Moretown, where he is to re-side. A pleasant company of friends, mostly connected with the railroad, in response to his invitation, met at his home last Wednesday seived a call to become pastor of the Univer-

REV. J. G. JOHNSON of Rutland has declined the call given him by the Congregational GEORGE W. ROBINSON, a St. Albans boy, had his right hand badly crushed at Montpelier Junction, Monday morning, while coupling cars. His mitten stuck to the link and he was unable to withdraw his hand before the cars came together. Dr. Reid was summoned, and found it necessary to amputate the thumb and PRINCIPAL A. E. LEAVENWORTH of Castle ton was seriously injured by a recent fall. He

THANKSGIVING services were held in the Unitarian church Wednesday evening, conducted by Rev. Mr. Wright, and in the Methodist church Thursday forenoon. At the latter place the sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Mason of the Baptist church, his congregation and that of Bethany church uniting with their Methodist brethren.

try, has received the appointment of home nissionary superintendent of New Mexico and of Corinth, and a member of the junior class at Dartmouth college, has received an appoint-

MR. C. H. Cross has moved from his rooms in the bakery building to the Brigham house, on the hill. The room formerly used for a parlor will be fitted up for an office, and the present retail department devoted exclusively to that branch of the business, while the large room in the rear of the office will be used for the wholesale business. the wholesale business.

We hope St. Johnsbury is not judging Montpeller by itself, but the following from the Index looks that way: "The village of Montpeller is making arrangements for a supply of water. The local physicians are preparing for an immense run of business, as the citizens will nearly all be ill until they become accustomed to the new horecast.

tomed to the new beverage. THE committee appointed to secure esti-THE committee appointed to secure estimates on the expense of the water works is a good one, and we trust they will attend to their duties without delay. There is no time to lose before it will be necessary to make the report, and a full and business-like statement is wanted by the voters. If such is given, we believe we shall have the water here by the next session of the legislature.

session of the legislature.

CHARLES T. ENSIS, a colored barber, formerly in the employ of Henry Smith of this place, was found dead last Tuesday, at the north end of the railroad paint shops in St. Albans. He left home apparently in his usual health to go to his shop, and it is supposed he fell in a fit, or with heart disease, and died at once. Eunis had been addicted to drink, and a bottle containing chloral was found on him.

Very handsome wedding over a procured. ession of the legislature.

Very handsome wedding cards announce the marriage of A. G. Trolan, the well-known telegraph operator, and Miss Athalia A. Grant, at Rockport, Maine, November 28th. Mr. and Mrs.

Trulan will take up their residence in Mont-peller next week, and will occupy the westerly tenement in J. G. Farwell's house, recently vacated by C. A. Barnard. THE WATCHMAN extends its congratulations and best wishes.

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MR BURNHAM, photographer in Burlington, accompanied by his wife, came to Montpelier on the morning train Thursday to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. Burnham's brother, Mr. D. G. Field. When they changed cars at the Junction Mrs. Burnham left a valuable sealskin muff in a car of the mail train. On arriving here it was immediately telegraphed for, but at last accounts had not been heard from.

THANKSOIVING morning was the coldest of the season up to that time. Friday, the last of the month, was the "almanac" for December, and was marked by snow throughout the day. Saturday morning the thermometer ranged all the way from 4° to 14° below zero, and the weather continued cold. Sunday a high wind arose, lasting through Monday and at times blowing almost a gaie, and painfully suggesting the terrible results of a conflagration in this village at such a time.

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The entertainment at the vestry of the Church of the Messiah occurs this evening. "Wanted—One Thousand Milliners" and "Who is Who, or All in a Fog," will be given by the following ladies and gentlemen: Mrs. C. H. Heath, Mrs. M. M. Cutler, Mrs. A. D. Farwell, Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Misses Florence Wing, Alice Wing, Clara Mead, Belle Mead, Messrs. A. W. Ferrin, C. A. Owler, Harry Cutler and A. G. Fay The proceeds will be used for the Sunday-school Christmas celebration.

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MESSIS INISH AND SPARROW took possession of the Bishop hotel, December 1st, and their boarders took breakfast there Sunday morning. The Union house will be closed until the contents are removed, when it will probably be sold or rented. It is possible that the lower part may be fitted up for stores and the upper part used for tenements. The livery business will soon be moved to the stable in the rear of the Bishop house, but until then communication can be had from the hotel to the stable by telephone.

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There was a pleasant gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Warren on Friday evening, the occasion being the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. There were present about one hundred and twenty of their friends from adjoining towns, nearly all of whom brought sliver dollars, the total amount presented being about \$103. In addition to this, a few of their Montpeller friends gave them a large easy-chair. The time until two o'clock was passed in dancing, in partaking of refreshments, and in listening to remarks appropriate to the occasion by Rev. Mr. Wright.

RICHARD ANGELL, of the tailoring establishment of A. L. Angell, enlisted at the age of fifteen years from Mooers, New York, in Company I of the First Regiment, New York Volunteers, it being the same in which J. V. Morrow enlisted from Plattsburgh, N. Y. These men fought side by side in several battles, and were warm friends up to the time when Mr. Morrow was wounded in a skirmish, between Charleston and Savannah, Mr. Angell left him in the heavital at Port Royal and they had not Charleston and Savannah, Mr. Angell left him in the hospital at Port Royal and they had not seen each other since, and neither knew that the other was living, until about a month ago, when Mr. Angell came to this place and they met by mere chance. They had been separated twenty years and nine days, and are now, with three or four exceptions, the only surviving members of the original company in which they enlisted.

Mentpeller.

The first sleigh of the season Friday morning
The winter term of the Vermont Methodist
seminary opens on Monday next.

Colonel Fred E. Smith has purchased the home farm of the late Noah Robinson, in Waterbury, for \$3 500.

A regular communication of Aurora Lodge, No. 22, F. and A. M., will be held at mesonic hall on Monday evening, December 10, and o'clock.

It is understood that Montpeller will lose one of its highly esteemed young ladies about Christmas, and that Brattleboro will be the gainer thereby.

Owing to another engagement Rev. J. H. Hincks was unable to go to Wrightsville Sunday afternoon, and Rev. Mr. Mason officiated at that place in his stead.

There is to be a sociable, for the benefit of the ladder of the form the coverwhelming applause of her enchanted the overwhelming applause of her enchanted the coverwhelming applause of her enchanted the course of music, were filled with the most flattering notices of Miss Thursby's musical abilities. From an extended account of her first appearance at Vienna in the New Free Press of that city we take the following: "Miss Thursby justified yesterday in a glorious manner her renown as cantatrice which had preceded her coming among us. She is endowed with a soprano voice of remarkable volume and clear as a fluts, make one think of Jenny Lind.

** Miss Emma Thursby, a young American lady, is reported to be the most eminent living concert singer. She has made the tour of Europe and the foreign journals, finely critical may be concert singer. She has made the tour of Europe and the foreign journals, finely critical may be concert singer. She has made the tour of Europe and the foreign journals, finely critical may be concert singer. She has made t the overwhelming applause of her enchanted audience, Miss Thursby sang, on encore, two German songs, Eckert's 'Echo' and Taubert's 'Little Birds,' two productions which Jenny Lind was the first to make popular. Her brilliant interpretation of these various selections, adorned with all the ornaments of vocal art, at once surprised and charmed the great audience." Miss Thursby is assisted by Cheval-ier Antoine De Kontski, court pianist to the Emperor of Germany, a musician of the first rank, and by Mr. Russell S. Glover, the distinguished tenor. A programme of rare attractiveness has been arranged. Miss Thursby appears in four numbers, among them "The Song of the Misoli," a marve'ous Brazilian song bird, and the celebrated Indian "Song of the Bells." "The awakening of the Lion" by Bells" "The awakening of the Lion" by De Kontski closes the concert. This composition has been performed over one thousand times by the authors in the principal capitals of Europe with the most extraordinary success. In Cipital Hall, Thursday evening, December 6 h.

COLONEL AND MRS. E. H. POWELL were in

town last Thursday...Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Kemp passed Thanksgiving with Mrs. Kemp's sister, Mrs. W. S. Hazen, at Northfield...Hon. James Mrs. W. S. Hazen, at Northfield... Hon. James L. Martin spent Thanksgiving in town... Mr. C. Henry Severance of the Middlebury Register was in town last week, and made this office a pleasant call.... Miss Ruth P. Jewett came home last Wednesday evening, returning to Northampton on Saturday, to remain two weeks, until the beginning of the holiday vacation, when Miss Mary Reed will accompany her home... Miss Carrie Alain, a long-time member of THE WATCHMAN composing force, but more recently with Harper & Brothers member of the Watchman composing force, but more recently with Harper & Brothers, New York city, is again in her old place in this office... Some of the friends of Arthur G. Eaton gave him a surprise at his home on Saturday, it being his twenty-first birthday. He was presented by them with a jack-in-the-box....Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Skinner, with their son, visited Mr. Skinner, with their son, visited Mr. Skinner, with their He was presented by them with a jack-in-thebox... Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Skinner, with their
son, visited Mr. Skinner's mother and sister at
White River Junction last week.... Hon. Joseph
Poland was in Burlington Friday, and Hon.
Chas. Dewey on Saturday... F. W. Buncroft goes
to Boston to-morrow to pursue a special course
of vocal culture... The many warm friends of
Arthur G. Crandall in this place are pleased to
know that the condition of his health is improving.... Messrs. Frank Abernathy and
Fred H. Barnes of Burlington were in town
last week.... There was a "goose" party at
Hotel Kampton, Friday evening, in honor of the
twenty-first anniversary of the birth-lay of
Miss Emma Hallowell... C. J. Gleason is quite
ill... Emma lagraham, of The Watchman
force, is spending a tw. weeks' vacation at her force, is spending a tw. weeks' vacation at her bome in Bridport....Mrs. Luther B. Cross, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is rapidly improving.....Misses Janie Kimball and Alice Lowe came home last week for Thanksgiving, the former to remain about a week....
The infant son of George E. Taplin is quite sick with membranes area.